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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/610,216
Filing Date	July 05, 2000
First Named Inventor	TAI, ROLAND D.
Group Art Unit	3622
Examiner Name	D. Lastra
Attorney Docket Number	69586-017

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1.03(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 500417.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$395.00
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other (additional claims, etc.)
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$_____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Lawrence T. Callen	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	44489
Signature		Date	10/26/04

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

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In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
: Confirmation Number: 4737
TAI, ROLAND D. :
: Group Art Unit: 3622
Application No.: 09/610,216 :
: Examiner: D. Lastra
Filed: July 05, 2000 :
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For: (011, 015 & 016) FOR POINTS OF SALE: MATCH-CODE-RESPONSIVE, SELECTIVE, WHOLE-TRANSACTIONS-DATA CAPTURE METHOD, SYSTEMS AND APPARATUS

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Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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No additional fee is required.
Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	10	39	0	\$9.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	5	0	\$44.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$490.00
RCE					\$395.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$885.00


☒ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$885.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.



The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office action mailed on April 26, 2004, having a shortened statutory response period set to expire on July 26, 2004, a petition for a three month extension up to October 26, 2004 being submitted herewith, please amend the above identified application as follows: